The last reply received was from Russia, and this so clearly acknowledged the principle involved in Secretary Hay's note that nothing remained but to address the Powers, informing them of the result of this Government's action, and at the same time transmitting the text of the reply made by each

It is felt here that nothing more can now be done to secure the neutrality of China and limit the zone of hostilities as much as possible outside of that kingdom. The preservation of Chinese integrity now rest with Russia and Japan. Each of these two countries has announced its adherence to the principle that China must be left out of the conflict, but each country has also said that it will respect China's neutrality as long as the other does the same. Under the circumstances either country, though bound by the principle, might, if it desired, find a pretext for drawing China into their quarrel.

With Chinese soldiers on the borderland of Manchuria and thousands of Chinese roaming through Manchuria, only a faint pretext for asserting that China was not neutral would be necessary to justify a declaration that China could no longer be recognized as a neutral.

Still the belief prevails that neither Russia nor Japan will be so ready to find this pretext, now that the eves of the other Powers are all centred upon their conduct in this

RUSSIANS THANK ADMIRAL URIU Wounded Appreciate Their Treatment by the Japanese Victor.

Special Cable Despatches to THE SUN. Spour. Feb. 20.—The British warship Amphitrite arrived at Chemulpho to-day She will convey to Singapore the members of the crew of the Russian cruiser Variag, now lying sunk in Chemulpho harbor, who were picked up after the fight with the Japanese by the British warship Talbot. The wounded Russians at Chemulpho

have sent a letter to Admiral Uriu, commanding the Japanese squadron which destroyed the Variag and Korietz, thanking him for the kind treatment accorded them. St. Petersburg, Feb. 20.-Capt. Roudneff. commander of the Russian cruiser Variag, which was destroyed by the Japanese squadron at Chemulpho, telegraphs under Thursday's date that on that vessel Midshipman Count Nirode and thirty-three seamen were killed, a midshipman and seventy sailors severely wounded and two midshipmen and a large number of seamen alightly wounded. The Captain received contusions and was otherwise wounded in the head. There was no loss of life on the gunboat Korietz, which the Japanese destroyed at the same time. Capt. Roudneff draws attention to the "extreme bravery and exquisite fulfilment of duty by the

RUSSIA TO REBUILD HER NAVY.

officers and men."

Public Subscriptions for More Ships-Po litical Suspects May Enter Army. Special Cable Despatch to THE SUN.

St. Petersburg, Feb. 20 .- An imperial order has been issued permitting political suspects who are under police supervision to enter the active army as privates, when, with the approval of the Ministers of the Interior and Justice, police supervision will

An imperial decree appoints Grand Duke Michael president of a commission to arrange for the construction of cruisers, submarine torpedo boats and other naval vessels, for the construction of which public subscriptions have been started. The Official Messenger publishes the de-

tails of the negotiations which preceded the outbreak of hostilities. The statement concludes as follows: "Although the breaking off of diplomatic

of hostilities, the Japanese Government as early as the night of Feb. 8, and then on the 9th and 10th, committed a whole series of revolting attacks on Russian warships and merchantmen, attended with violation of international law."

The report that two Russian regiments were drowned while crossing Lake Baikal is officially denied. A train, carrying troops, was derailed near Lake Baikal during a snowstorm. One man was killed and nineteen were injured. This is believed to be the source of the story of a catastrophe to Russian regiments.

The Government announced last night the abolition of the censorship on all foreign news despatches. Telegrams for points abroad from the more distant places, such as Vladivostok, or nearer places, such as Odessa, will be wired to St. Petersburg and forwarded without restriction. M Plehve, the Minister of the Interior, and Count Lamsdorff, the Foreign Minister, united in recommending the removal of the censorship on news for abroad. The internal censorship is retained, and telegrams from the seat of war will pass through the hands of military censors, as is the case in all countries similarly placed.

WIJU NOT YET BECLARED OPEN. Corean Government Has Only Said It Will Take That Action.

WASHINGTON, Feb. 20 .- The announce ment several days ago from official sources that the Corean Government had opened the port of Wiju to the Powers now appears to have been premature. It is learned authoritatively that no such action has yet been taken by Corea. Minister Ailen's despatch to the State Department did not say that the port had been opened, but that he had assurances from the Corean Foreign Office that a proclamation to that [effect would be issued.

No idea was expressed as to when the proclamation would be issued, and the State Department is unable to take any action looking to the appointment of a Consul there until formal action has been taken opening the port.

SCARE OVER ENVOYS' DEPARTURE French and Russian Ambassadors Leave London on Short Trips.

Special Cable Despatch to THE SUN. LONDON, Feb. 20 .- Count Benckendorff, the Russian Ambassador, left for St

Petersburg this morning. M. Cambon, the French Ambassador left here this afternoon for Paris.

Efforts to attach significance to the departure of the Russian and French Ampassadors from London are without foundation. M. Cambon's trip has reference to the situation in the Near East. He will return soon.

Count Benckendorff has a leave of absence for three days. It is understood that it is for the purpose of bidding farewell to his son, who is in St. Petersburg, and who is going to the Far East.

Getting Americans Out of War Field.

Special Cable Despatch to THE SUN. SEOUL, Feb. 20.-United States Minister Allen is endeavoring to bring all the American women and children from northern Corea before hostilities actually begin. He has planned to assemble them temporarily at Ping Yang.

NEWS OF REVERSES EXPECTED TO INFLUENCE THE LAMA.

England Banking on That to Secure Reception of Her Mission to Lhasss -Advance Toward the Sacred City Postponed-Lama's Treaty With Czar.

Special Cable Despatch to THE SUN.

LONDON, Feb. 20.—Col. Younghusband's mission to Tibet is at present at a complete standstill. Gen. MacDonald, with the flying column, has returned to Chumbi. The big Tibetan force which was assembled Gurn has dwindled to 2,000 men, and there is nothing to indicate what will be the next phase of the affair in the event that the Dalai Lama maintains his present

The Indian Government has taken, and taking, the greatest pains to emphasize the fact that the mission is entirely political. with the sole object of bringing about an amicable settlement of the outstanding difficulties with the Lama. The Government lays stress on the fact that Col. Younghusband was most carefully instructed not to excite hostilities, while Gen. MacDonald was ordered to act on the defensive only, his sole duty being to safeguard the commissioners. MacDonald's force, however, is unquestionably stronger than is really necessary for that purpose, and it is quite sufficient to make its way

forcibly to Lhassa, where its presence would

give Col. Younghusband a strong "argu ment" in dealing with the Lama. The Indian Government claims to have cossession of the full document constituting the invalid treaty signed by the Czar's and the Lama's Government eighteen months ago, in which concessions were made to Russia so extensive and so exclusive as practically to give the development of the country entirely into Russia's hands. Russia has formally denied the existence of this treaty, but Russian denials do not carry weight, especially when the Tibetans do not make a denial and in intercourse with the British commissioners at Khambajong have made no secret of the support they are actually receiving and which they also rely upon in the event

of further trouble. It is possible now that when the news of Russia's disasters at the opening of the war with Japan penetrates to Lhassa the Tibetan reliance on her support may be shaken and an amicable settlement reached One of India's chief ostensible grievances is the boycotting of the normal channe of Tibetan trade, through India, but the firm establishment of Russian influence on the Indian border is probably a more potent factor in the present proceedings.

KAISER'S OFFER TO THE CZAR. Services of German Red Cross Society

Tendered to Russia. Special Cable Despatch to THE SUN. PARIS, Feb. 20.-The Matin publishes a despatch from St. Petersburg which says hat the Kaiser's autograph letter to the Czar offered him the services of the German Red Cross Society, and was identical with a letter sent to the Empress of Japan. Irrita-

tion is said to be growing in St. Petersburg

against what is considered false news pubished in the British newspapers. M. Pelletan, the Minister of Mahas received a long report from Capt. Nicol, the commander of the French cruiser Pascal, detailing the facts of the fight at Chemulpho and the circumstances under which he gave asylum to a part of the crews of the Russian ships Variag and Korietz. It reaffirms former accounts. He states that the respective commanders of the French, Italian, British and German warships then at Chemulpho protested against the attack of the Japanese as a

being a neutral port. They protested again after the first engagement A St. Petersburg despatch to the Echo de Paris says that the Novos Vremya, in an evidently inspired article about Secretary Hav's note, says that the proposal with regard to the neutrality of China is favorable to Russian interests, on condition that Manchuria be excepted, a point that is absolutely indispensable. It implies that Russia shall have every freedom to move in Corea, since Japan violated Corea's neu-

trality. The Figaro states that the Russian cruiser Boyarin was damaged at Dahny by the exolosion of one of her own torpedoes. The ship was not a complete loss.

The Tsarevitch and the Retvisan, the Russian ships damaged in the first Japanese attack on Port Arthur, are almost repaired and will rejoin the active squadron in a few

Admiral Alexieff has been ordered to remain at Port Arthur until Admiral Makharoff, the successor of Admiral Stark in command of the squadron there, arrives. The St. Petersburg correspondent of he Temps says he has definite information that the Russian army in the Far East

does not exceed 70,000 men. Feverish efforts are being made to draft heavy reenforcements to the front, but even the War Office does not expect to get them there before two months.

PANIC IN STOCK MARKETS. Report of Russian Default Causes Collapse in Paris Bourse.

Special Cable Despatches to THE SUN. PARIS, Feb. 20 .- There was a sharp colapse on the Bourse to-day, extending to all departments. It began soon after noon, and a little later developed panic proportions. The chief basis of the scare was a report that Russia had defaulted on the coupon now due on Government bonds

It was the most disastrous day known at the Bourse for twenty-two years. The wildest rumors found ready listeners. It was first reported that serious consequences were about to follow Russia's refusal to grant an exequatur to an American consul at Dalny. This was succeeded by a rumor that the French Government was preparing to mobilize its forces.

London, Feb. 20 .- Panicky conditions in the Continental markets were reflected in sharp declines, notably in international securities, on the stock market to-day.

After the close of the Exchange, there was wild trading on the curb. Russian, Japanese, Chinese and Turkish issues declined. Spanish 4s fell off a total of 4 points from last night's closing price. South African mining stocks were flat. Prices of all securities closed on the curb at bottom figures.

Consols reached their lowest figure since their conversion into 21/2 per cent. securities. They closed at 86, and sold afterward on the curb at 8514, a decline of over a point from vesterday.

Chilean Ships Not Sold to Japan.

Special Cable Despatch to THE SUN. LONDON, Feb. 20 .- The Chilean Legation nere says that the sale to Japan of the Chilean warships Capitan Prat, Chacabuco and Almirante Condell, which a news agency despatch from Santiago says is persistently rumored, is most improbable. shout any negotiations for their purchase.

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Struggle-Warship Recalled From Chefoo

WASHINGTON, Feb. 20.-The wild rumor rom London that the Russian and French Ministers there had been recalled caused much interest in Government circles today. It served a useful purpose, however, before the explanation came, in developing comment showing how thoroughly the Administration has determined to observe an attitude of correct neutrality in the Far Eastern struggle. Officials who heard the report declined to believe it, basing their opinion in this respect on the ground that France would not take any action at this time which would give rise to even a suspicion that she intended to break with England and that Russia would not seek to force Great Britain into giving active assistance to Japan. In fact, the report was scouted as ridiculous. It did, nevertheless, cause much uneasiness for a time and officials were much relieved when they heard the real story upon which it was based.

From all that was said by officers of the Government with whom a SUN reporter talked about the sensational report from London, it is evident that the Russian suspicion over the attitude of the United States s entirely groundless. The Administration, so Cabinet officers declared, has determined to keep out of the Russo-Japanese imbroglio at all hazards. It will do nothing that can give one belligerent cause for encouragement or the other cause for

An instance of how correctly the Government intends to adhere to its declaration of neutrality was afforded to-day in the departure of the gunboat Wilmington from Chefoo for Shanghai. The Wilmington was sent to Chefoo, with the Navy Department's knowledge, to get information from the seat of war. In view of the fact, however, that communication with Chefoo is not interrupted and there are United States consular officers at the place who can send any news of importance, the Navy Department decided that there was no occasion for the presence of a United States war vessel at Chefoo, and so told the Wilmington to return to Shanghai. Chefoo is the nearest open port to the scene of hostilities, and the Government does not purpose to give anybody reason for the suspicion that an American warship is snooping around" to find out things about the hostile armies and navies.

It was said at the Navy Department this afternoon that as long as news from the theatre of war can be obtained by telegraph, and American interests in the fighting area are not endangered, our naval essels will keep far enough away from there to lull the suspicion of even the most positive believer in the idea that the United violation of the law of nations, Chemulpho States are trying to get mixed up in the

> "It is ridiculous," said a Cabinet officer, "this idea that we are in any danger of becoming involved in the Russo-Japanese conflict. They do not understand apparently in St. Petersburg and elsewhere in Europe, that it is the people of the United States and not the Executive or the legislative branches of the Government who decide whether we shall go to war. There is no sentiment among the people in favor of our taking any part other than as a neutral in the Far Eastern situation, and until that sentiment is developed, and developed strongly, our friends abroad need not be worried.

The Japanese Government has granted permission to the United States to send four army officers with the Japanese Army as observers of the military operations. The officers who will go are Col. Carter and Capt. March of the General Staff. Capt. Morrison of the Twentieth Infantry and Capt. Kuhn of the Engineer Corps. Capts. Morrison and Kuhn are now in the Philippines, and have been instructed to join the Japanese forces as soon as possible. Col. Carter and Capt. March will sail from

the United States early next month. Owing to the action of Japan in granting this permission Gen. Henry T. Allen, at Seoul. Corea, will probably return to the Philippines at the expiration of his leave

of absence. The only reply received from Russia is that she will give us a definite answer about March 15.

APPEAL TO JAPANESE HERE Statement as to the War Fund Sets Forth

the Causes of the Hostilities.

Sadazuchi Uchida, the Japanese Consul-General and the committee of Japanese merchants appointed at the recent meeting in Carnegie Hall to raise funds for the home Government, issued yesterday an appeal for money to the Japanese residents of the United States. It is stated at the beginning of the circular which is to be sent on Monday to the natives of Japan

living in this country: In the endeavor to maintain the territorial integrity of China and insure the independence of Corea, which are essential to the welfare and safety of our own country, and also to protect our right and interests, as well as to secure the open door for the commerce of all nations in those two countries, our Government, as you all know, has since last year with much patience tried every means of peaceful negotiation with the Russian Government, whose aggressive and threatening attitude in the Far East has long been a menace to the peace of the world. Unfortunately, however, our just, reasonable and necessary proposals have all been rejected. To our great regret, diplomatic representations having wholly failed, we have been driven to take up arms to vindicate our cause. protect our right and interests, as well as

have been driven to take up arms to vindicate our cause.

The independence and safety of Japan are at stake in this contest. Although we may congratulate ourselves upon preliminary victories in naval engagements, the struggle has but just begun. We must still expectmany difficulties before the final triumph. Now that our army and navy in the winter's cold and on the stromy seas are bravely fighting for our Emperor and country, and sacrificing their lives in the midst of shot and shell, let us, their brethren in this country unite in the expression of our patriotic zeal and raise a fund to aid in this struggle for our national existence.

The appeal goes on to say that sub-

The appeal goes on to say that sub-scriptions may be made in three ways. War bonds may be subscribed for which war fonds may be subscribed for which will bear interest at the rate of 5 per cent. a year. They will be issued at 95 and run for five years at the most; secondly, contributions may be made to the Relief Fund for soldiers and sailors in actual service, while a third fund for which money is asked is to aid the Red Cross Society of Japan.

PANAMA'S FIRST PRESIDENT.

DR. AMADOR TAKES OFFICE AND NAMES CABINET.

Predicts Prosperity for the New Republic When the Isthmian Canal Is Built -Diplomatic Corps Attends the Inauguration Ceremonies in the Capital. Special Cable Despatch to THE SUN.

was unanimously elected by the constitutional convention, was inaugurated at 40'clock this afternoon in Cathedral Square. Dr. Pablo Arosemena, president of the onvention, delivered the address installing Dr. Amador. He laid stress upon the humiliations Panama had suffered from Colombia. and said that the movement for inde-

pendence was the natural result. He declared that the election of Dr. Amador vas by the popular will. In the course of his inaugural address Dr. Amador said that he would give specia attention to public instruction, commun cations and finances. He declared that there would be no friction between the State and Church, and that the latter would confine itself to dealing with the morals

of the people. In dealing with the canal question he said that the capal would create an economic industrial revolution, and recomand mended all to take advantage of the conse quent prosperity. He added that on the guarantee of the United States to preserve the independence of Panama the military

element could be reduced. American military and naval officers from Panama and Colon were at the cere monies. Col. Lucas represented the army

The consular corps was also present. After the inauguration all went to the Government palace, where a reception was held and speeches made. Sefor Arango, a member of the Junta, made farewell address, expressing satisfaction with the election of Dr. Amador. He said that the convention had displayed good judgment in selecting for President the man who had been foremost in bringing about the independence of the country.

Dr. Amador replied, congratulating the Junta upon its meritorious work and saving that his work would not be so arduous owing to the work of organization per formed by the Junta.

M. Moet, the French Chargé d'Affaires and dean of the Diplomatic Corps, spoke in the name of the corps.

Following is the Cabinet selected by the

Minister of Government and Foreign Relations-Tomas Arias. Minister of Finance-Dr. Espriella. Minister of Public Instruction and Jus-

Minister of Fomento and Public Works-Manuel Quintero.

CELEBRATE AMADOR. Panama Canal and Railroad Men at a Con

gratulatory Luncheon. To celebrate the inauguration of Dr Manuel Amador as first President of Panama nine of his American friends met vesterday at a luncheon at the Waldorf-Astoria, as the guests of his son, Dr. Raoul A. Amador, Consul-General of Panama in this city

The guests were:
William Nelson Cromwell, George H.
Sullivan, William J. Curtis and E. B. Hill,
counsel for the French Panama Canal Company; Edward A. Drake, vice-president of the Panama Railroad Company; Sylvester C Deming, treasurer of the Panama Railroad

Company; L. R. Walker, Charles Payne and R. L. Farnham. Toasts were drunk to President Roosevelt, President Amador, the United States and "Panama, the youngest republic, but one of the strongest." A cable despatch of

congratulations was sent to President

WOMAN TRIES TO DIE.

Mrs. Paffen, an Architect's Wife, Had Threatened to Kill Herself.

Mrs. Alma Paffen of 329 East Sixteenth street was found unconscious in her room yesterday with gas escaping from eight jets. She was taken to Bellevue Hospital jets. She was taken to Bellevue Hospital and will probably die. Her husband is Peter Paffen, an architect

employed by the Consolidated Gas Com-pany. He has been living apart from his wife for some time and it is said that Mrs. Paffen told people who lived in the same building with her that she was despondent and would commit suicide some day.

RUSSIAN SQUADRON TURNS BACK. Admiral Wirenius Won't Try to Take His Ships to the Far East.

Special Cable Despatches to THE SUN PARIS, Feb. 20 .- A despatch to the Echo de Paris from St. Petersburg says that the squadron of Admiral Wirenius, now at Diibouti. French Somaliland, has been ordered to return to the Baltic.

PERIM, Feb. 20 .- A squadron of warships passed this point at midnight last night, going in the direction of Suez. It is supposed to be Admiral Wirenius's on its way from Djibouti.

Thinks Czar Will Take Command. Special Cable Despatch to THE SUN. ROME, Feb. 20.-According to the Agencia Libera, the Czar will go to the Far East at

the beginning of spring, to take command of the army. New Japanese Minister of Interior. Special Cable Despatch to THE SUN. TOKIO, Feb. 20 .- Viscount Yoshikawa,

formerly Minister of Finance, has been

appointed Minister of the Interior. Japs in Portland, Ore., Raise \$10,260 PORTLAND, Ore., Feb. 20.- In less than a week the Portland Japanese have raised \$10,260 to send to the assistance of their country in her trouble in the Far East.

Hurry Order for Beef for Japan's Army CINCINNATI, Ohio, Feb. 20 .- The New York agent of Japan to-day placed an additional order for \$25,000 worth of canned beef for Japanese soldiers with the John C. Roth Packing Company of this city. The order is a hurry one. No goods will be sent via the Suez Canal.

IROQUOIS FIRE INDICTMENTS.

THEATRE OFFICIALS CHARGED WITH MANSLAUGHTER.

Building Commissioner and Building Inspector Also Charged With Neglect Duty-Mayor Harrison and Three Others Set Free From All Blame.

CHICAGO, Feb. 20 .- The special Grand fury summoned to consider the Iroquois fire and the charges made against persons connected with it, completed its labors this evening by voting indictments against five men and no bills against four others. The formal report will be made Sunday.

Those indicted are Will J. Davis, part owner of the Iroquois Theatre, for manslaughter; Thomas Noonan, business manager of the Iroquois Theatre, for manslaughter; James E. Cummings, stage carpenter, for manslaughter; George Williams, Building Commissioner, for culpable neglect of official duty; Edward Laughlin, Building Inspector, for culpable neglect of official duty.

No bills were voted against Mayor Har-

rison, Fire Marshal Musham, Fireman William H. Sallers and William McMullen. operator of the flood light. Although the indictments were voted they will not be

indictments were voted they will not be formally drawn and submitted to the Judge until Tuesday afternoon, when the report of the jury will be formulated.

The special Grand Jury was convened on Feb. 8, before Judge Chytrus, and since then has heard many witnesses. On Friday the taking of oral testimony was completed and the jury turned its attention to reviewing the mass of typewritten evidence taken at the Coroner's inquest. It is understood that the charges against Mayor Harrison were first taken up and dis-PANAMA, Feb. 20.-Dr. Manuel Amador he first President of the new republic, who It is understood that the charges against Mayor Harrison were first taken up and disposed of by the jurors. The indictments against Building Commissioner Williams and Inspector Laughlin for culpable omission of official duty amount to a charge of misfeasance in office, which, under the statute, is a misdemeanor and not punishable on conviction with imprisonment.

the penitentiary.

The names announced at the close of the session with the addition of Thomas J. Noonan are those named in the finding of the Coroner's jury.

able on conviction with imprisonment in

TRIED AFTER THIRTY YEARS. Murderer and the Sole Witness Now More Than Seventy Years Old.

DALLAS, Tex., Feb. 20.-Preston Bailey tilled Sanford Talbott at Smithfield, twenty miles west of Dallas, on Feb. 15, 1873, fled the country and after being a fugitive for thirty years was captured eight months ago. His trial was begun at Fort Worth yesterday, and came to a standstill unexpectedly to-day.

After the State had heard the testimony of the only evewitness to the killing. James . Garrett, the defence sprung a surprise y saying that the indictment against Bailey was faulty because it did not contain the necessary words "with malice aforethought." The Judge quashed the indictment and set Bailey at liberty. He was at once rearrested on a new affidavit to hold him until the Grand Jury can find new indictment.

The testimony of Garrett showed that in the tragedy of thirty-one years ago Bailey's victim, Talbott, was unarmed and walking in the road with Garrett. Bailey was on horseback and armed with a pistol. He told Garrett to look at something ahead in the highway. As he did so a shot was fired, and he looked around in time to see Talbott stagger behind a tree and fall, mortally wounded. After taking a second shot at Talbott, Bailey pointed the pistol at Garrett and said:

"You didn't see any of this affair, did Under that kind of duress Garrett de-

clared he had not. Bailey rode away and Garrett never saw him again until called on to testify against him to-day. Both men are now over 70 years old.

IN BED, DRESSED AND DEAD. Pillow Case Tied Around Her Neck and Her

Money Gone. Rose Kratofsky, 23 years old, who had been living at 259 West Thirty-eighth street for two days, was found dead in bed last night. Jacob Kratofsky had been living with her. A pillow slip was tied around her neck and head. There was nothing to show that she had been strangled, however.

There was a slight discoloration of the neck. Kratofsky was arrested. He told the police that he left the house early in the morning and didn't return until last night, when he found the woman in the bed fully dressed except for one shoe, which was She was covered from head to feet with the bedclothes. Kratofsky removed the bed covering and took the pillow slip

from the woman's face and neck. He thought she was alive, he said, and he got Dr. Stubenbord of 213 West Thirtystreet. The doctor said she was Then the doctor notified the Cor-office. Kratofsky said that when he left the house in the morning the woman wore three gold rings and had a chatelaine bag with \$27 in it. The rings and bag were

According to women in the neighbor hood, the girl was known as Rose Clark She lived in West Twenty-ninth street up to a few days ago. The body was sent to the Morgue and an autopsy will be mad

to-day. Mrs. Gray, who keeps the house, says Mrs. Gray, who keeps the house, says that a big man, not Kratofsky, went into the house with the girl at 7:30 o'clock last night. It was at 8 o'clock that Kratofsky came home and reported finding her dead.

FOUND A CRAP GAME.

Inspector Schmittberger Does Some

Sleuthing Near Tammany Hall. Inspector Schmittberger, standing at the corner of Fourteenth street and Third avenue last night, noticed that he was being watched by several men, who afterward followed him. The inspector doubled on them, and saw them enter a cigar store in Fourth avenue near Thir-

teenth street. The inspector waited until Capt. McDermott of the Fifth street station came along with some plainclothes men and then entered the store. At the back was an iron grating and then a door leading upstairs. This was locked and an axe was sent for to break through it. Upstairs the sent for to break through it. Upstairs the police found thirty men playing craps and clondike. All were made prisoners. William Lekay was charged with being the proprietor of the place.

CLUB HALLBOY ARRESTED. While the Cops Were Jalling Him They Ran Across Another Thief.

Henry Banks, 15 years old, a hallboy in the Cornell University Club, in West Forty-fifth street, was arrested last night on a charge of stealing three checks, for \$150, from a letter which William Wadscheck, for \$102, he offered to the steward

When the detectives were on the way

their prisoner they saw a man leave Frederick K. Rode's tapestry store at 518 Fifth The man started to run and one of the detectives caught him. An investigation showed that the cash drawer in the store had been broken into and \$86 taken. The money was found on the prisoner, who said he was George Winthe prisoner, who said he was George field of 304 West Forty-fourth street.

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MERRY CHASE FOR BOY THIEF.

JANITOR'S SON, A COP AND MRS. HALL FINALLY CATCH HIM

After He Had Jumped 15 Feet From Roof to Roof-He's One of Two 15-Year-Old Burglars Who Were Surprised While Robbing a Harlem Flat.

While the two Pollock girls, who keep house for their brothers, Harry and Fred. in the top flat at 319 West 124th street were at the matinée vesterday afternoon, Miss Riley, across the hall, heard noises at the Pollock door. Peeping cautiously out she saw a strange youth disappearing into the Pollock parlor with his hat on. That proved he was a burglar, Miss Riley thought, and she yelled to a small boy in the back yard to get the janitor.

Isaac Hall, the janitor's son, who is a husky young fellow, came upstairs on the run. While Miss Riley was telling him what she had seen, a boy in knickerbockers and a taller youth dashed out of the Pollock flat and made for the roof. The latter one stumbled on the stairs and Hall pounced

on him. As he was marching Policeman Stackhouse of the West 125th street station came running up. Hall told him that there was another burglar on the roof and that he'd probably try to run out through 317, next door. Stackhouse went into 317, while Hall held the prisoner, but the cop didn't get the other thief. Hall tried and found him on the roof.

Before he could grab him, the boy jumped to the roof of 321, which is one of a row of private houses, fifteen feet below. Hall didn't like to follow. The boy tried all the scuttles till he came to the last house in the row, 331. That was unfastened, and he scrambled down. Hall shouted to Stackhouse in the street, and the policeman, lugging his prisoner, went into 331.

Mrs. Annie Hall lives there. She was too frightened to help the policeman sea the house. Stackhouse rummaged in all the closets, looked under all the beds and

turned down all the bed covers. Then he turned his attention to the cellar, and Mrs. Hall went upstairs to straighten out the mess he had made.

She stopped to pull straight the portières that hang before the folding doors at the back parlor, and touched a body. With-

out stopping to investigate, she jumped into the hall and slammed the door, scream into the nan and and ing for help.

The cop came up jerking his prisoner after him, and found the other burglar too frightened to leave his hiding place. His nose was bleeding and his face was cut

from his jump.

At the West 125th street station the prisoners described themselves as Louis Dalfus of 214 Fast Ninety-eighth street, and Joseph Long of 233 East 101st street, both 15 years old. Dalfus, the little fellow, had four skeleton keys and a chisel on him, besides two watches, a scarfpin and other articles from the Pollock flat. Long had a big jimmy and a bunch of pawntickets for clothing and jewelry. The police say both have been arrested before, but have never been

AFTER MRS. JAMIESON.

several Cities, Including New York, Want the Widow Held in Richmond. RICHMOND, Va., Feb. 20.-New York, Philadelphia, Norfolk and Newport News as well as Richmond want a Mrs. Jeannette

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DIED

ASHMORE.—On Friday, Feb. 19, 1904, at the residence of her son, in Philadelphia, Maria Ellsworth, widow of Sidney Ashmore and daughter of the late Thaddeus Phelps of New York. Services will be held at Trinity Church, Broadway and Wall st., on Tuesday the 28d inst., at 10:3

BAILIE .- Entered into rest on Feb. 19, 1904, at her residence, 230 West 16th st., Emma V. Baille. Interment at Marshall, Mich. Chicago paper please copy. CLARK.-On Friday, Feb. 19, 1904, of pneumonia

Julia Blackwell, daughter of the late Re-Frederick G. Clark, D. D., and Sarah Black well Clark. Funeral on Monday, Feb. 22, at 10 A. M., from the Chapel of the Brick Church, corner 87t st. and 5th av. (entrance on 37th st.). Tre

papers please copy. FOX. -At Garrison-on-Hudson, N. Y., on Wednes day, Feb. 17, 1904, Major George L. Fox, aged 44 years 10 months and 15 days. Funeral services at his late residence, on Sur day, upon arrival of 11:30 A. M. train from

Grand Central Depot. Carriages will me HALSTED .- At Westfield, N. J., on Feb., 19, Mary Isabelle, daughter of Elizabeth M. and th late Ezekiel S. Halsted.
Funeral services at her late residence, West field, N. J., on Sunday, Feb. 21, at 4 P. M. Train

leaves Liberty st., New York, at 2:30 P. M return train at 5:52 P. M. Carriages will meet

train at station. Interment at Rye, N. Y. Monday, Feb. 22. Train leaves Grand Central depot at 10:04 A. M. HAMMETT .- On Feb. 18, 1904, suddenly, of hear failure, Benjamin Mason Hammett, aged 60

Funeral services at his late residence, 374 Madison st., Brooklyn, on Sunday, Feb. 21, at 3 P. M. Interment at Newport, R. I. MARCKWALD .- Suddenly, of heart disease, of Feb. 18, after a long illness, Augustus V., 50 of the late Marcus Benedict and Elizabeth Rose Marckwald, in the 51st year of his age Funeral from his late residence, 136 Amity st

Brooklyn, on Sunday, Feb. 21, at 3 P. M. In terment private. McMANUS .- At St. Lucy's Rectory, on Saturday Feb. 20, the Rev. Thomas F. McManus, recto of St. Joseph's Church, Rossville, Staten Island and son of the late Capt. Thomas McManus Solemn mass of requiem at St. Lucy's Church East 104th st., between 1st and 2d avs.. Tuesday, Feb. 23, at 10 A. M. Divine of

9:30 A. M. Reverend clergy, relatives and friends are requested to attend. SEELEY. -On Tuesday, Feb. 16, at Agra, British India, Mary Stewart, wife of the late Dr. N. Seeley of Elmira, N. Y.

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